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> PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice of Appeal, which was received by the US Patent Office on September 2, 2003, for two(2) month(s) from November 2, 2003 to January 2, 2004. An Appeal Brief is being filed concurrently herewith.

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